November 9, 2020

To: Planning Commission:

The Santa Ana Healthy Neighborhoods Alliance requests that you postpone the approval for the Santa Ana General Plan. We have participated in virtual meetings on the General Plan and it is clear that the elements need more work and input from the residents. Due to covid19 challenges and the limitations for many residents to participate in the virtual meetings, more outreach and time is needed to assure an equitable and extensive process is completed before voting on this very important document that will drive the city's evolution, and we will all have to live with it. We are particularly concerned about the implementation SB1000 on Environmental Justice.

As per the letter written to Verny Carvajal, Principal Planner, from the California Department of Justice - Attorney General, Javier Becerra: "We appreciate the City's efforts to address environmental justice in its General Plan through inclusion of EJ policies. However, we are concerned that the EJ policies are not sufficient to reduce the unique and compounded health risks to EJ communities as required by SB 1000, nor do they adequately address the specific requirements of SB 1000". (page 4, dated October 16, 2020).

It is transparent from the letter submitted by Attorney General Becerra, more work needs to be done for the General Plan to meet the standards and be in compliance with the law, SB 1000 on environmental justice.

We respectfully request that you postpone the approval of the general plan until more outreach and work can be completed that complies with SB 1000.

Respectfully,

Susana Canett Sandoval, Irma Perez Jauregui Co - Chairs, Santa ana Healthy Neighborhoods Alliance, and Residents of Wilshire Square